

## What does a 400 error message mean? {{ Fixing a 400 Error }}

Error 400, also known as 'Bad Request 400,' is the response received when the structure or formatting of the request submitted to the web server doesn't make sense or isn't correct. It generally occurs when the request submitted by the browser contains wrong syntax, erroneous information, or fails to include necessary parameters. Misinterpretation of URL, wrong formatting in the form submitted, using outdated URL links, or cookies and cache not compatible with the website could be the common reasons behind the error. Some cases may arise if the server discovers excessively long request headers or attempts to upload unsupported files. If the problem lies with the client's request, the website will display the error 400, which doesn't involve the website's internal errors but, instead, directs towards the problem associated with the client's request. In order to resolve this issue, one generally needs to try refreshing the webpage, check the URL, or delete the cookies and cache in the browsers. Programmers may experience this error issue while using APIs to decode wrongly structured JSON messages or making errors in authentications.